

Queen Elizabeth and the Remembrances by Mr. Miller of an extraordinary national and international figure, Catherine Filene Shouse.

BRITISH EMBASSY

Washington, June 6, 1995.

Mrs. CAROL HARFORD,
823 South 26th Place,
Arlington, VA.

DEAR MRS. HARFORD: Her Majesty The Queen has asked me to send you her very best wishes for the concert which is being arranged at Wolf Trap on 9 June in honour of Catherine Filene Shouse. Her Majesty is sure that this will be a memorable occasion.

Yours sincerely,

ROBIN RENWICK.

CATHERINE FILENE SHOUSE CELEBRATION

FILENE CENTER, WOLF TRAP NATIONAL PARK
FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS JUNE 9, 1995 THE
99TH ANNIVERSARY OF HER BIRTH

Remembrances

G. William Miller

To dream an impossible dream. It is not the dream that is impossible, but the task of putting it into words.

How does one grasp a thunderbolt, or capture a moonbeam? Describe an earthquake, or bottle a fleeting melody? Commemorate a howling gale, or reflect the rapture of a child awakened by the magic of the stage?

How does one celebrate a celebrity who is already a legend?

Carefully, lest the enthusiasm to extol create myth where there was reality, fashion ethereal portraits where there was life and vitality and flesh and blood.

Each of us has remembrances of Kay Shouse. String them all together and they form an endless chain, as infinite as humanity.

Creative, energetic, determined, resourceful, imaginative, fearless, independent, patriotic, learned.

Skillful, hopeful, optimistic, unique, steadfast, eternal.

Catherine Filene Shouse.

Kay valued Shakespeare, but there was none of his *Hamlet* in her character. There was no hesitation over "To be or not to be." For Kay, the only course was full engagement in life with all its challenges.

In *As You Like It*, Kay found a more compatible concept: "All the world's a stage And all the men and women merely players."

What a production she made of the stage that is our world: Inspiring the young to reach for the stars. Moving the successful to rise to greatness. Encouraging women to unleash all their talents, in all fields. Moving governments to stretch their visions to open new opportunities.

But Kay was not merely a player. She was the Play!

Once, at Plantation House there was a small post-performance gathering where the conversation turned at that age-old question: What is the greatest boon to mankind?

One favored the great art, capturing countless images to reflect the inner soul of humankind. Another chose the great music, with timeless melodies which comfort and inspire over the ages. A third argued for the great literature, where creative ideas are passed from generation to generation to instruct and enrich. And, of course, there was one colleague who championed the performing arts, which combines all the others to present the full range of human drama in real life form.

A guest from a distant state then intervened. "That's interesting," he remarked, "but where I come from the greatest boon to mankind is * * * the promissory note."

Without missing a beat, Kay had the last word. "Fine," she said, "we'll take one of yours * * * with six figures!"

Archimedes was so bold as to claim, "Give me a place to stand, and I shall move the world." Kay did not wait for a place to be given. She took her place—and she moved the world.

A visitor at a Wolf Trap performance once noted the mad trajectory of a golf cart piloted by a compelling figure in a flowing cape. He remarked to his companion, "Who does she think she is, the big pooh-bah?" When the golf cart approached and Kay introduced herself, the patron's astonished retort was, "Holy cow, she is the great pooh-bah!"

For those who experienced an outing on Chesapeake Bay abroad the *Pink Pontoon*, with Kay at the helm, know first hand that Kay could truly claim: "I am the captain of my soul, I am the master of my fate."

Kay subscribed to Abraham Lincoln's parliamentary procedures. Once at a Wolf Trap meeting she presented a bold and controversial proposal for a grand event. To others it seemed far too risky considering the financial condition of the Foundation at the time. The vote was all against, save Kay. Whereupon she announced, "Well, now that we've settled that, let's get out the invitations."

Kay never gave up, no matter how hopeless the cause, when she cared and when she believed. The great fire of '82 stirred the fire within her. Like Ulysses, until the end, she never turned back.

"... For my purpose holds To sail beyond the sunset, and the baths of all the Western stars, until I die."

"To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield."

As we remember Kay, we think of the words of Emily Dickinson:

"Because I could not stop for Death
He kindly stopped for me—
The Carriage held but just Ourselves
and Immortality."

Kay, we remember you in awe and admiration and love. Now that you have moved to a grander stage, where you command choirs of angels and orchestras of saints, we hope that you remember us too.

Kay, you told us always to be glad, not sad. Never to say good bye or good night, but always "Good morning".

Good morning, Kay.

MEDICARE MANAGED HEALTH CARE SUNSHINE ACT OF 1995

HON. E. CLAY SHAW, JR.

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 4, 1995

Mr. SHAW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce timely legislation that will require health maintenance organizations under the Medicare Program to disclose certain information to individuals who subscribe to an HMO, or who are a prospective subscriber to an HMO. I believe that an HMO subscriber under the Medicare Program has the right to know the medical education and professional background of the physicians who will provide health services to that subscriber. I also believe that it is important for a subscriber to know the financial structure of the corporation in which he or she is placing so much trust.

Specifically, my bill requires that, upon request by a subscriber or a prospective subscriber, an HMO shall provide descriptive information on each physician within the HMO. This information includes the medical education and training received by the physician, the physicians' history of medical practice—in-

cluding foreign practice, and the position each physician currently holds.

My bill also requires that an HMO provide recent audited financial statements to subscribers and prospective subscribers. Furthermore, any promotional material—marketing and advertising brochures, et cetera—must state that the above information is available.

This information must be out in the open. In fact, I have titled this legislation the Medicare Managed Health Care Sunshine Act of 1995 to represent that it is time for these health care providers, who receive Federal dollars and ask for the trust of the Nation's seniors, to be candid about their operation.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation and ask that this bill and these remarks be inserted into the RECORD.

H.R. —

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Medicare Managed Health Care Sunshine Act of 1995".

SEC. 2. PROVIDING HMO ENROLLEES WITH CERTAIN INFORMATION ON PLANS.

Section 1875(c) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395mm(c)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(9)(A) Upon the request of a member enrolled with the organization under this section, or an individual considering enrollment with the organization under this section, the organization shall provide the enrollee or individual with the following:

"(i) Descriptive information regarding the credentials of each physician who is authorized by the organization to provide services by or through the organization to enrollees under this section, including the medical education and training received by the physician, the physician's history of medical practice (whether domestic or foreign), and the positions held by the physician at the time of the request.

"(ii) An audited financial statement of the organization for the most recently concluded fiscal year that complies with generally accepted accounting principles and includes a balance sheet, income statement, and statement of changes in financial position.

"(iii) A statement identifying the salaries, bonuses, and other remuneration paid to the 5 highest-paid officers or executives of the organization, as well as the other benefits provided to such officers or executives.

"(B) The organization shall include in any brochure, application form, or other promotional or informational material that is distributed by the organization to (or for the use of) individuals eligible to enroll with the organization under this section a statement that the information described in subparagraph (A) is available from the organization upon request."

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The amendment made by this Act shall apply with respect to contract years beginning on or after the date that is 6 months after the date of the enactment of this Act.

H.R. 2196, THE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 1995

HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 4, 1995

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, the economic advances of the 21st century are rooted in the